

FY2015 CHNA&HIP Progress Report

Ringgold County

Community Health Improvement Plan

GOAL	Strategies	Progress on Strategies
By February 2012, a minimum of 3 system or policy changes based upon Centers for Disease Control Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP) tools related to tobacco use and prevention will be instituted in Ringgold County.	1. Assure dedicated staff including funding for tobacco prevention and cessation efforts. 2.5 FTE staff were added to devote to these efforts.	
	2. Engage community coalition and partnerships in tobacco prevention and cessation efforts. The first coalition meeting was held May 26, 2010 and continue to be held at least quarterly.	
	3. Utilize experts in the field of tobacco prevention and cessation to promote efforts and utilize best practices. Held Mayo Clinic Training at the Ringgold County Hospital. Followed this up with a lunch and learn presentation 11 months later by Dottie Schell representing AAP. Dr. Fran Butterfoss lead the leadership team in coalition building activities.	
	4. Request systems and policy changes as per CDC best practices and strategies. Tobacco-free parks policies were passed in the following Ringgold County towns: Kellerton, Mount Ayr, Redding and Tingely. Ringgold County Fair passed a policy banning tobacco advertising, sponsorships and giveaways. WIC Clinic added a tobacco question to their intake form. Ringgold County Hospital added a tobacco question to discharge planning. Family Resource Center added tobacco use questions to their enrollment forms.	Goal was met. Funding through CPPW ended but policy changes remain in effect.

Ringgold County

Community Health Improvement Plan

GOAL	Strategies	Progress on Strategies
By November 1, 2013, current Ringgold County unsewered communities including Delphos, Maloy, Benton, and Redding will have installed and maintain a functioning public sewer system.	1. Complete project engineering, assure funding, and obtain bids. This is in progress by Southern Iowa Rural Water Association with construction hoped to be initiated in spring 2012 depending upon outcome of challenge in Redding paying for land 8 days prior to official authorization.	
	2. Construction of a low pressure sewer system with a two cell wastewater lagoon centrally located between the four communities to serve approximately 100 homes or businesses.	Project was completed by SIRWA and now serves homes in previously unsewered communities.

GOAL	Strategies	Progress on Strategies
By December 2011, increase community access points within Ringgold County for family planning and STD prevention educational materials and contraception beyond the current baseline of medical care providers/pharmacy.	1. Educate community partners. Becky Fletchall met with representatives from the Teen Center and the local neighborhood center as well as RCPH staff members.	
	2. Offer materials to community partners for display including brochures, fliers, and condoms. Materials were offered to Teen Center and neighborhood center as well as a display in the main restroom at public health. The Teen Center Board declined but a basket has been in place at the neighborhood center for almost a year.	
	3. Follow-up to assure supplies remain adequate. Supplies at both public health and the neighborhood center continue to be replenished as utilized. The neighborhood center has seen a large demand and their local director expresses appreciation of the service.	Continued partnership with the Neighborhood Center contacting public health when supply of educational materials and supply is needed.